REMARKS

This application is being filed concurrently with the entry of the National Stage (Chapter I) of International Application No. PCT/GB2003/003670 which claims the priority of Great Britain Patent Application No. 0219735.8 under 35 USC 119.

Notably, new claims 19-21 are from cancelled claims 10-13 and only differ from cancelled claims 10-13 in the following ways: (1) any British spellings of words were converted to American spellings; and (2) any multiple dependencies were omitted.

This Preliminary Amendment was considered when calculating the filing fee. Accordingly, the total number of claims specified on the Transmittal Letter is 18 and the number of independent claims is 2.

It is not believed at this time that any additional fee is due. As a precaution, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 02-2865 any additional fee required by this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

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